

*Diana, at Sea, December 8, 1797.*

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I Have the Pleasure of acquainting you, that on the 5th Instant, being in Lat. 50 deg. 17 min. Long. 21 deg. I fell in with, and captured, after a Chace of Four Hours, La Mouche, a National Corvette, fitted in every Respect for a Six Weeks Cruize by the Merchants at Rochelle; had been from that Place Fifteen Days, without making any English Captures; she sent in, Five Days prior to my falling in with her, an American, from the Isle of France, bound to Bourdeaux, which he detained on Suspicion, having no French Pass on Board.

La Mouche is a Ship of considerable Force, having Eleven Ports of a Side, but only 16 Twelve-Pounders on Board when I fell in with her; Six of which were thrown overboard during the Chace. The Captain of her informs me she had a thorough Repair and was new coppered in September last.

That she sails remarkably fast there is no Doubt of, as had it not been for her carrying away her Fore-Top-Mast during the Chace, she determined Way in which she continued on after that, notwithstanding the Diana's Shot going over her, gave me Reason to fear, from the Evening's coming on very thick and foggy, I might have lost her. She has run most of the War with great Success in annoying our Trade, which makes the Capture of a Ship of her Description add considerably to the Pleasure of,

S I R,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

JONATHAN FAULKNER.

*Whitehall, December 19, 1797.*

The King has been pleased to grant unto Thomas Reid, of Holton Lodge, in the Parish of Holton cum Bickering, in the County of Lincoln, and of Newnan-Street in the County of Middlesex, Esq; Doctor of Physick, and his Issue, His Royal Licence and Authority to take and use the Surname of Caldecot only, pursuant to the last Will and Testament of his Father-in-Law, Gilbert Caldecot, of Holton Lodge aforesaid, Esq; Colonel of the Royal North Lincoln Regiment of Militia, deceased: And also to order that this His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be registered in his College of Arms.

*War-Office, December 19, 1797.*

*1st Regiment of Dragoon Guards*, Lieutenant-Colonel William Tooley Hawley, from the 29th Light Dragoons, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Hay, removed to the 2d Dragoon Guards.

*2d Ditto*, Lieutenant-Colonel James Hay, from the 1st Dragoon Guards, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice the Earl of Pembroke, promoted to the Command of the 6th Dragoons.

*6th Regiment of Dragoons*, Major-General George Earl of Pembroke to be Colonel, vice Johnstone, deceased.

*29th Regiment of Light Dragoons*, Brevet Colonel John Callender, from the 18th Light Dragoons, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Hawley, appointed to the 1st Dragoon Guards.

*16th Regiment of Foot*, Major-General Henry Bowyer, from the 89th Foot, to be Colonel, vice Bruce, deceased.

GARRISON.

General Staates Long Morris to be Governor of Quebec, vice Johnstone, deceased.

*Commissions in the Regular and Supplementary Militia for the County of Devon, signed by the Lord Lieutenant.*

*South Regiment.*

Thomas Bewes, Esq; to be Lieutenant. Dated November 14, 1796.

James Brown, Esq; to be Lieutenant. Dated December 28, 1796.

John Rowe Bennett, Esq; to be Lieutenant. Dated February 4, 1797.

Edward Cove, Esq; to be Lieutenant. Dated April 17, 1797.

Richard Lang, Esq; to be Ensign. Dated April 29, 1797.

John Mackintosh, Esq; to be Ensign. Dated April 30, 1797.

John Shapleigh, Esq; to be Lieutenant. Dated May 8, 1797.

Edward Cove, Esq; to be Ensign. Dated as above.

William Elford, Esq; to be Major. Dated August 29, 1797.

Reymunds Putt, Esq; to be Captain. Dated September 27, 1797.

Henry Mervin Bayley, Esq; to be Captain of the Volunteer Company. Dated September 28, 1797.

Richard Lang, Esq; to be Captain of a Volunteer Company. Dated September 29, 1797.

*South Regiment of Supplementary Militia.*

John Harrison Stapleton, Esq; to be Captain. Dated February 23, 1797.

John Thomas, Esq; to be Lieutenant. Dated as above.

John Rowe Bennett, Esq; to be Lieutenant. Dated as above.

*North Regiment.*

J. Cattel to be Lieutenant. Dated December 10, 1796.

Goodall Creington, Esq; to be Lieutenant. Dated December 29, 1796.

John White, Esq; to be Ensign. Dated March 11, 1797.

Thomas Ween, Esq; to be Lieutenant of a Volunteer Company. Dated March 30, 1797.

James Coitel, Esq; to be Ensign. Dated June 20, 1797.

William Squance, Esq; to be Ensign. Dated July 21, 1797.

Edward Houndle, Esq; to be Ensign. Dated August 29, 1797.

John Row, Esq; to be Ensign of the Volunteer Company. Dated September 21, 1797.

*North Regiment of the Supplementary Militia.*

Henry Beavis, Esq; to be Major. Dated February 23, 1797.

Thomas Nott, Esq; to be Lieutenant. Dated as above.

*East Regiment.*

Baldwin Fulford, Esq; to be Captain. Dated February 14, 1797.

Hon. North Graves to be Lieutenant. Dated as above.